

Is your household ready?

Essentials! Make sure you have 3 days of water and food supplies!

So that you can go without shopping during heavy rain, be sure to have water and long life food saved up. In the case of a large earthquake, water and food supplies are essential. After a large earthquake, help won't arrive from outside for 3 days, so prepare 3 days worth of supplies.

Water 9 liters x No. of people in household

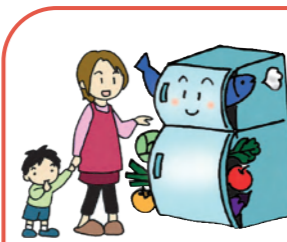
Each person needs 3 liters of drinking water per day
(4 person household = 9 liters x 4 people)



Food Supply It's OK to use what you eat everyday!

Please store food that you can eat without cooking.

- Retort pouches (okayu, zosui, stew, etc.)
- Canned, bottled food



Always keep your fridge and pantry full!

Buy lots of groceries, eat the oldest produce first, and buy more as soon as you use them. Always keep a "new stockpile" in your house.

Have you got it ready yet? Your emergency bag

Prepare a backpack filled with things that you would need in a power or water outage, or if you need to evacuate quickly. Place the bag near the entrance of your home.

- Batteries
- Handheld radio
- Flashlight
- Portable battery charger
- Emergency toilet
- Whistle (to call for help)



You can find everything you need at 100 shops and home improvement centers!



A backpack is best because it leaves your hands free!

- Things you might need
- * A little bit of water and some snacks
- * Milk powder and diapers for babies
- * Your regular medicine
- * Contact lens (or a spare pair of glasses)
- * Menstrual products
- * Tissues * Thermometer
- * Masks * Alcohol-based sanitizer

When heavy rain continues... Get information from Minoh City!

In torrential rain, typhoons and other disasters, Tackey 816 FM 81.6 MHz will repeatedly broadcast emergency information.

LINE The City's Safety Alert LINE @minohcity



The City's Safety Alert Email



*You can also use the QR code on the top right of the main page of the Minoh City website

The City's Safety Alert Twitter @Minoh_Anzen

- There is now an English version of the Citizen Safety Email! The English version of the Citizen Safety Alert Email started in May 2020.
- Convenience of the Citizen Safety Email You can now choose which type of safety alerts you receive.

- Evacuation alerts (for typhoons, heavy rain, etc.)
- Alerts on scams, suspicious behavior
- Lightning strike alerts
- Citizen Safety Alert Email (English disaster prevention information)

If you haven't registered yet, please do so. If you have already registered, we apologise for the inconvenience, but if you cancel your registration and sign up again you will be able to choose which alerts you would like to receive.

If a serious disaster that may harm citizens occurs, Minoh City will set up an Disaster Response Headquarters, where urgent information will be broadcasted through Tackey 816 (FM 81.6 MHz). Please always bring a portable radio with you in times of disaster. Some smartphones may also be able to tune in.

*Information is broadcast periodically in English.

City news on evacuation centers, etc. is broadcast through...

Tackey 816 (FM 81.6 MHz), the City's Safety Alert LINE, Email and Twitter, the City website emergency information page, and the public address system (located in parks, etc.).

The public address speaker system broadcast is one method used to communicate information in the event of a disaster. You cannot hear it inside buildings. Also, you may be unable to hear it depending on the situation you are in (if there is strong wind or rain for instance). Please tune into Tackey 816 (FM 81.6 MHz).

Preparing for an evacuation

Please prepare masks and other infection prevention items

When the city evacuation information is issued (see right), if you live within the hazard zone and the evacuation order is to "evacuate to an evacuation center", please evacuate regardless of the current COVID-19 (coronavirus) situation. In order to stop the spread of COVID-19 each evacuation center has alcohol-based sanitizer, masks and thermometers but they are limited in number. Please put items such as these in your emergency bags and bring them with you when you evacuate.

Please consider evacuating to a relative or a friend's house

In order to stop the spread of COVID-19 when evacuation centers are opened they will try to make sure there is plenty of space. However it is possible that a large number of people will evacuate at the same time. In order to avoid crowding, if you are able to, please consider evacuating to a relative or friend's house outside of the hazard zone.

From May evacuation information has changed

Due to legal reform by the country evacuation information sent out by the city has changed as of 20 May. "Evacuation preparations (evacuation of elderly people and others)" has changed to "Evacuation of the elderly etc.", "Evacuation advisory" and "Evacuation Order" have changed to "Evacuation Instruction". For more details please use the QR code to access the Cabinet Office website. There is information in other languages too.

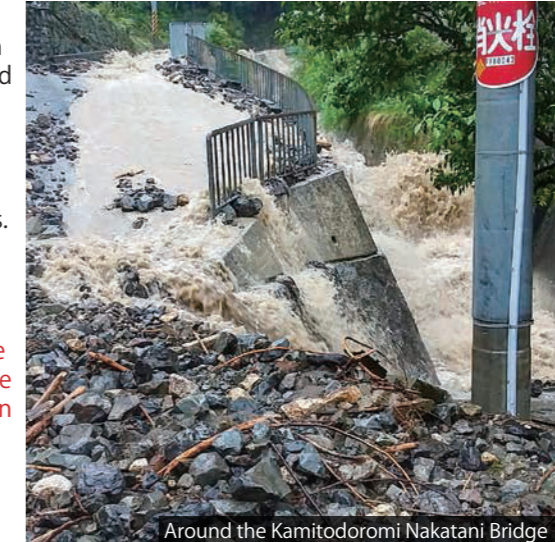


Be Fully Prepared for a Typhoon!

In 2018 a series of typhoons and heavy rain caused landslides, power outages, and water outages in areas of Minoh City.

In late June, 2018 during the record heavy rain (the Heavy Rains of July 2018) caused damage in Minoh City such as landslides blocking roads, and blocked gutters flooding entire streets. Then in September, the exceptionally strong Typhoon No. 21 (Typhoon Jebi) struck Minoh. The strong wind caused trees and telephone poles to fall over, and there were widespread power outages. In some apartment buildings, power outages meant that the buildings' water pumps stopped working, causing water outages as well.

No one can tell when typhoons or heavy rain like this will occur again. They can come one after the other, especially between August and October. In order to protect yourself from danger, you must get ready, not sometime soon, but now. Refer to the following points and prepare yourself for a typhoon as soon as possible.



Around the Kamitoromi Nakatani Bridge



Onoharahigashi 6 cho-me



Agein 5 cho-me

Use the following checklist to prepare for a typhoon as soon as you can!

Are there leaves or garbage stuck in the gutters around your house?

Having leaves, branches, or garbage stuck in your gutter causes water to overflow. A blockage in one place causes the whole surrounding area to flood, so it will not only cause damage around your home, but your entire neighborhood.



Once the rain starts to fall it is already too late to do anything. Make sure to check the gutters around your house and keep them free from leaves, branches, garbage, and anything else that might block them.

Should you go to the evacuation center or stay home?

Check the Hazard Zone Map to know which is safer for your household!

In a typhoon or heavy rain, the most dangerous place to be is outdoors in a hazard zone*. If you live in a hazard zone, but your house is safe, it is actually more dangerous to go outside during the storm. Check the Hazard Zone Map that was handed out with the July 2021 issue of Momiji Dayori, and find out if it is safer for you to evacuate or take refuge at home in an emergency. If you do not have a Hazard Zone Map you can collect one from the City Office's main building 1F counters and from the Toyokawa and Todoromi Branch Offices or check the City website.

*A hazard zone is an area where there is a chance of landslides and/or flooding. *To prevent the spread of Covid-19 (coronavirus), measures such as ensuring that there is a lot of space etc. will be taken when opening evacuation centers. Please look into the possibility of taking refuge at the houses of relatives and friends who live outside of a hazard zone.

When a typhoon is approaching...

Take preventative measures before the wind and rain get strong!

Bring inside anything that might fly away in strong winds

- Potted plants and hanging planters
- Clothespegs and Laundry hangers
- Laundry pole
- Cleaning equipment, such as brooms
- Bamboo screens, etc.



Close your storm shutters, window shutters and curtains early

Before the wind and rain get strong, close your window shutters and lock them. If you don't have any shutters, close your curtains so that if the wind blows something into the window they protect you from any flying broken glass. Stick safety film to your windows for extra protection.

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